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SUBJECT: U.S. POLICY RE TRANSFERS OF SIGNIFICANT QUANTITIES OF
SENSITIVE NUCLEAR MATERIALS

REF: IAEA VIENNA 3870

1. IN RESPONSE REFTTEL, MISSION AUTHORIZED SEND FOLLOWING LETTER TO
DG FROM AMBASSADOR TAPE REGARDING SUBJECT U.S. POLICY AS REFERRED
TO AT FEB BG. THIS REVISED LETTER BASED ON INPUT BY DEPARTMENT,
ERDA, AND NRC: QUOTE. DEAR DR. EKLUND:

YOU WILL RECALL THAT, IN CONNECTION WITH CONSIDERATION OF REACTOR
PROJECTS IN PAKISTAN AND THE PHILIPPINES AT THE FEB 26 SESSION OF
THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS, I REFERRED TO A NEW U.S. POLICY CONCERNING
A REQUIREMENT FOR PHYSICAL SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS IN CASES INVOLVING
TRANSFERS OF SIGNIFICANT QUANTITIES OF SENSITIVE NUCLEAR MATERIALS
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OF U.S. ORIGIN, AND INDICATED THAT THE DETAILS OF THIS POLICY
WOULD BE PROVIDED IN DUE COURSE TO THE AGENCY. IN THIS CONNECTION,
I AM PLEASED TO PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION, WHICH MAY BE
HELPFUL TO THE AGENCY IN DEALING WITH FUTURE REQUESTS FOR CERTAIN

U.S.-ORIGIN MATERIALS, AS INDICATED.

THE U.S. GOVERNMENT MUST BE SATISFIED THAT ADEQUATE PHYSICAL SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS EXIST IN A RECIPIENT COUNTRY PRIOR TO AUTHORIZING ANY TRANSACTION INVOLVING THE EXPORT OR TRANSFER OF THE FOLLOWING NUCLEAR MATERIALS OF U.S. ORIGIN, AND THAT THESE PHYSICAL SECURITY MEASURES WOULD BE APPLIED TO SUCH MATERIALS: URANIUM-235 (CONTAINED IN URANIUM ENRICHED TO 20 PER CENT OR MORE IN THE U-235 ISOTOPE), URANIUM-233, OR PLUTONIUM ALONE OR IN ANY COMBINATION OF THESE MATERIALS IN A QUANTITY OF 5,000 GRAMS OR MORE COMPUTED BY THE FORMULA: GRAMS EQUALS (GRAMS CONTAINED U-235) PLUS 2.5 (GRAMS U-233 PLUS GRAMS PLUTONIUM). SUCH ASSURANCES WILL ALSO BE REQUIRED BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT IN CASES INVOLVING THE SUPPLY OR TRANSFER OF A QUANTITY OF THE FOREGOING TYPES OF NUCLEAR MATERIALS (ALONE OR IN ANY COMBINATION THEREOF) WHICH, WHEN ADDED TO EXISTING STOCKS OF THE SAME TYPES OF U.S.-ORIGIN NUCLEAR MATERIALS IN A COUNTRY, (ALONE OR IN ANY COMBINATION THEREOF) WOULD EQUAL OR EXCEED THE 5,000 GRAM FIGURE COMPUTED BY THE SAME FORMULA.

THE U.S. GOVERNMENT IS EVALUATING THE ADEQUACY OF SPECIFIC PHYSICAL SECURITY MEASURES IN EFFECT IN OTHER COUNTRIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS POLICY. THE U.S. GOVERNMENT USES THE PHYSICAL SECURITY STANDARDS EMPLOYED IN THE UNITED STATES FOR LICENSEES AND THOSE SET FORTH IN THE IAEA PHYSICAL SECURITY GUIDELINES AS A MAJOR FACTOR IN DETERMINING THE ADEQUACY OF THE MEASURES IN EFFECT IN A GIVEN COUNTRY. THE CURRENT U.S. STANDARDS FOR U.S. LICENSEES ARE SET FORTH IN TITLE 10, PART 73 OF CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, A COPY OF WHICH IS ENCLOSED.

IF YOU OR YOUR STAFF HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS MATTER, PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT US. SINCERELY, UNQUOTE.

2. MISSION REQUESTED PROVIDE US COPY OF LETTER SENT TO AGENCY.
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